



## Formulary Update NH April Formulary Update Effective April 27, 2017

### Additions: Formulary Restricted

- a. Sugammadex injection: formulary restricted for the emergency reversal of deep neuromuscular blockade induced by rocuronium or vecuronium.
- b. Infliximab (REMICADE): formulary restricted to severe immune-mediated enterocolitis associated with check-point inhibitors (e.g. ipilimumab) unresponsive to steroid therapy.
- c. Posaconazole oral delayed release tablets: formulary restricted with same restriction as per the suspension. Note: Dosing regimens unique for each formulation – not interchangeable.
- d. Filgrastim (GRASTOFIL): restricted to adults with indications outlined in the BCCA Benefit drug list AND patients who are registered with BCCA OR to the approval of the Center for Excellence (CFE) in HIV/AIDS.
- e. denosumab, INJ, bosutinib oral, ponatinib oral, siltuximab INJ, romidepsin INJ, regorafenib oral:: restricted to indications outlined in the BCCA Benefit Drug List and patients registered with BCCA

### Changes in Restrictions

- a. Filgrastim (NEUPOGEN): Formulary restricted to hematology Apheresis Unit donors OR pediatrics OR for those with existing PharmaCare Special Authority coverage.
- b. Daptomycin: restricted to treatment of severe infections caused by resistant gram-positive organisms, where other agents cannot be used:
  1. Resistant S. aureus or Enterococcus spp. meeting one of the following criteria: a) MRSA bacteremia with vancomycin MIC  $\geq 2$  mcg/mL, persistence for  $>7$  days despite source control, and/or confirmed allergy/severe intolerance\* to vancomycin b) VRE bacteremia; and/or
  2. Gram-positive infections when other formulary agents (e.g. vancomycin, linezolid) are contraindicated due to allergy, severe intolerance\* or resistance.

\*Vancomycin-associated acute kidney injury is defined as SCr increase of 50 mcmol/L or greater than 50% from baseline

### Discontinued medications (removed from formulary)

atracurium INJ, droperidol INJ, ferumoxytol INJ, calcipotriol cream and scalp lotion, lithium citrate liquid

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pharmacists  
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